

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Eric J. BERGMAN

APPLICATION NO.:

09/621,028

FILED:

JULY 21, 2000

FOR: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING A

WORKPIECE SUCH AS A SEMICONDUCTOR

WAFER

EXAMINER:

Z. EL ARINI

ART UNIT:

1746

CONF. NO:

4066

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Mail Stop RCE **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Advisory Action mailed August 13, 2003, and the final Office Action mailed May 28, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1, 2, 26, and 27, and add new claims 28-34, as indicated in the attached claim sheets.

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